



Instructions: Situation Report

The Situation Report (Sit. Rep.) provides Senior Management with high level information on developing, ongoing or concluded incidents or events of interest.

The Sit. Rep. should be:

- Short: one to two pages, written factually and impartially;
- Concise: use every word as efficiently as possible;
- Clear: keep it simple and to the point and include only what matters to the reader;
- Reliable: provide accurate information; point out missing information or questions about the information; and
- Readable: use plain language and white space, subheadings, lists and other means to make reading easier.

The following describes the sections of a Sit. Rep.:

- **Title:** A few key words that describe the issue succinctly.
- **Purpose:** In one sentence, explain why the Sit. Rep. is being written. Information only; action (decision or final approval required); or briefing for upcoming meeting: specify date, time, location and with whom.
- **Issue:** In one sentence, identify the issues. Clarify misinformation generated by media or others; provide update on emerging issues; provide update on individual or a group posing a threat; and/or explain the impact of legal (or policy) changes for the RCMP.
- **Background:** In 3 or 4 bullets, provide enough background or contextual information to give an understanding of the issue. What is relevance of issue to RCMP; what are the implications; what is history of the issue; and what is being said about the issue and by whom?
- **Current Status:** Advise of the most salient and recent information available. Highlight the current status and/or progress to date in order that action can be determined. Status and evolution of emerging issue to date; status of investigation; and stage or phase new legislation or policy is at.
- **Strategic Considerations** (if applicable): Factors that could affect our ability to respond to the issue.
Indicate sensitive or political elements to be considered; potential impact of the issues on the RCMP, our Minister, and/or the Government of Canada; inter-agency or interdepartmental issues to consider or cooperation, and specify significant obstacles or challenges that may hinder the RCMP's progress or handling of the issue; outline the potential outcome or risks if no action is taken; and indicate political statements (if any) made about this issue.
- **Strategic Communications** (if applicable): State internal and/or external communications considerations.
Indicate national/media/public/political implications and if the DG, Public Affairs has been advised; impact on employees or operations and has a communications strategist been advised; has a communications plan been developed for both internal and external audiences; and attach existing media lines which may have been prepared.
- **Recommendations / Strategic Advice** (if applicable): Identify follow-up actions or advice.
State strategic advice warranted on the issue; outline options; state critical dates and/or events of which Senior Management should be made aware; indicate who else should be notified of this information; and state areas that require further follow-up or research.
- **In Consultation with:** Identify groups or individuals consulted in preparation of this Sit. Rep. Indicate "Nil" if consultation was not required.
- **Prepared by:** Name and rank of writer.
- **Signature - Submitted by Name**
 - NHQ: Director General
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- **Signature - Recommended by Name**
 - NHQ: Assistant Commissioner
 - Div.: Director, Director General or Deputy Criminal Operations Officer
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 - NHQ: Deputy Commissioner
 - Div.: Criminal Operations Officer or Commanding Officer
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 - NHQ: Senior Deputy Commissioner
 - Div.: Not Applicable or Commanding Officer



Situation Report

File Number
2022-111985

D Division - Freedom Convoy Emerson Border Crossing and Headingley Area

PURPOSE:

- To provide the Commissioner with information regarding concurrent Support Freedom Convoys in the Emerson and Headingley area in Manitoba, Canada.

ISSUE:

- A Freedom Convoy Support demonstration was organized on January 29th 2022 and is staging at a truck stop near Headingley, Manitoba as well as the Emerson border crossing on highway #75. The convoys consist of a significant number of vehicles which are causing traffic disruptions in both areas.

BACKGROUND:

- The Support Freedom Convoy was created as a means for truckers to demonstrate against cross-border Covid vaccine mandates and in support of the Freedom Convoy in Ottawa.
- On January 29th 2022 at 11:30 it was reported that a Support Freedom Convoy demonstration with around 100-200 vehicles was staged at the **Personal** truck stop in Headingley and destined for the Manitoba Legislative Building located in downtown Winnipeg.
- On January 29th 2022, it was reported that there are trucks and demonstration support vehicles lined up at the Emerson border engaged in a continuous slow moving convoy disrupting traffic flow on Highway #75.

CURRENT STATUS:

- Detachment members and RCMP traffic services are in both areas to assist with traffic congestion and public safety.
- The convoy in Emerson is currently approximately 6 km's in length involving an estimated 100 to 150 vehicles. Activity involves a slow roll 2 mile continuous loop along highway #75. Members are engaged in communication with event organizers.
- The convoy currently traveling from Headingley to Winnipeg is over 40km in length.
- The Winnipeg Police Service (WPS) have been engaged as the demonstration from Headingley is anticipated to end at the Manitoba Legislature. The WPS are considering closing Portage Avenue to facilitate the movement of the convoy.
- Both the Freedom Convoy support demonstration in Headingley and the Emerson border are peaceful at this time. No significant issues have developed outside of the disruption to traffic flow.
- Manitoba Justice has been advised of this unfolding situation.

STRATEGIC CONSIDERATIONS:

- Situation is on-going and will be continuously monitored.

Signatures

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